

talus relevance

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Joel Priddy — 24 Jun 1997, 12:17

I'd just like to bring up two aspects of the talus scene that made it seem relevant to me...
hmmm... maybe three...

(1) It was good pacing. A little bit of calm after so much high-level action and intrigue. It was nice to sit back and just listen to an explanation of how something worked. (2) Character development. In this scene you could see Silk seriously and competently taking on the mantle of Calde. Of course, he'd done some of this before, but I still thought of him as an "Average Schmo caught up in Bigger Things." Now I saw him digging in for a long haul, and preparing to handle the unpleasant side of leadership. (3) Red Herring. With the talus scene, I began to expect certain events to follow. The actual events worked against this expectation, which lent emotional punch to the idea of chaos and unpredictability in times of conflict.

There's no reason why this might not still point to Silk and the Super-Talus Squad making a major appearance in the next series. I think that the scene worked on for the _Long_Sun_ as a single unit, however.

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